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Application of: Kenneth S. Bloom and Stephen A. Eilertson

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The Examiner in the present application has required restriction among claims 1-58 of the application as filed, claims 1-46 being designated Group II and claim 47-58 being designated Group I.

In response to such restriction requirement, applicants elect claims 1-46, designated Group II, for prosecution in the present application. This election is made without traverse, without inference of abandonment of the subject matter recited in the non-elected claims, and without prejudice to applicants' right to file one or more divisional or other continuing applications directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claims and entitled to the filing date of the present application.

The non-elected claims remain in the application subject to appropriate action by the Examiner or cancellation by applicants upon allowance of elected claims.

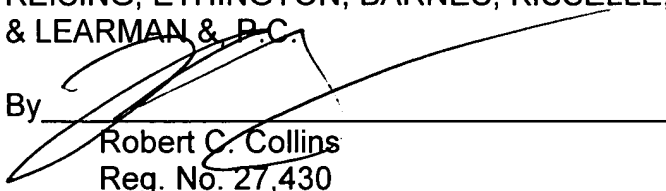
Attention is directed to the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement submitted concurrently with this Response.

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